VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING INFORMAL CONFERENCES December 8, 2008

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was

convened at 9:00 A.M., in Training Room 2, Department of Health Professions,

9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patricia M. Selig, R.N., F.N.P., Ph.D., Chairperson

John M. Horn, L.P.N.

OTHERS PRESENT: Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S., Deputy Executive Director

Amanda Mitchell, Deputy Executive Director

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED: Jacqueline Wafula, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-085675

Ms. Wafula appeared, accompanied by Ms. Grant, Case Manager, Health

Practitioners Intervention Program.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing

convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 9:30 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Wafula. Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 9:40 A.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Mr. Horn moved to issue an Order to reinstate the certificate of Jacqueline Wafula

to practice as a nurse aide and issue an unrestricted certificate contingent upon Ms. Wafula's continued compliance with the Health Practitioners Intervention

Program.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Wafula unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Wafula within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the

decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Tilahun A. Kelile, C.N.A. 1401-119293

Mr. Kelile appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:15 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Kelile. Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:25 A.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Horn moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Tilahun Kelile.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Kelile unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Kelile within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Sheena N. Santiago, C.N.A., 1401-118505

Ms. Santiago appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:20 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Santiago. Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:35 A.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Horn moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Sheena Santiago.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Santiago unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Santiago within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Cynthia Crews, C.N.A. 1401-002338

Ms. Crews appeared, accompanied by a friend.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:55 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Crews. Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:00 NOON.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Horn moved to close the case and impose no sanction due to insufficient evidence of a violation of the Nurse Practice Act or Board of Nursing regulations The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Tomeika S. Palmer, C.N.A. 1401-100901

Ms. Palmer did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:15 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Palmer. Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:15 P.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Horn moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Tomeika Palmer. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Palmer unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Palmer within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Charlisa Wiggins, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-063466

Ms. Wiggins withdrew her application for reinstatement.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Julia (Macklin) Yates, C.N.A. 1401-074039

Ms. Yates did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:15 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Yates. Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:30 P.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Horn moved to issue an Order to deny Julia Yates's petition for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as nurse aide in Virginia.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Yates unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Yates

within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Fardowsa A. Osman, C.N.A. 1401-113613

Ms. Osman appeared, accompanied by attorney, Bhavile Patel; and her cousin.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:14 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Osman Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:23 P.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing

certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Mr. Horn moved to close the case and impose no sanction due to insufficient

evidence to warrant disciplinary action by the Board of Nursing.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

ILED: Katherine Sprinkle, C.N.A. 1401-051047

Ms. Sprinkle did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing

convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:30 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Sprinkle. Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:35 P.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Horn moved to issue an Order to deny Katherine Sprinkle's petition for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide in Virginia. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Sprinkle unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Sprinkle within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Yvette Daniels, C.N.A. 1401-074254

Ms. Daniels did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:40 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Daniels Additionally, Mr. Horn moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:45 P.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Horn moved to issue an Order to deny Yvette Daniels's petition for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide in Virginia. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Daniels unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Daniels within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 2:45 P.M.

Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S. Deputy Executive Director

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE December 8, 2008

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was

convened at 12:40 P.M. on December 8, 2008 in Training Room 2, Department of

Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patricia M. Selig, R.N., F.N.P., Ph.D.

John M. Horn, L.P.N.

STAFF PRESENT: Linda Kleiner, R.N. Discipline Case Manager

PRESENTED FOR CLOSURE/ADVICE:

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of

Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:49 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation regarding case disposition. Additionally, Mr. Horn moved Ms. Kleiner attend the closed

meeting because her presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and her

presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:00 P.M.

Mr. Horn moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Investigative reports regarding four registered nurses were reviewed.

ACTION: Mr. Horn moved to close one of the above cases due to insufficient evidence to

support allegations of any violation of the Nurse Practice Act or Board of Nursing

regulations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Horn moved to offer three of the above individuals a pre-hearing consent

order in lieu of further administrative proceedings. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Linda Kleiner, R.N. Discipline Case Manager